

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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ARTHRITIS**AMENDMENT SUBMISSION REQUESTED BY EXAMINER**

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This amendment is submitted in response to a request from the Examiner. The request was made after Applicant's Response to the Final Office Action dated March 17, 2004, was accepted. Accordingly, it is believed that no fee is required by this submission. Furthermore, in accordance with MPEP 706.07(f), Applicant believes that the shortened statutory period for response in the instant case has not yet expired because Applicant filed a response within two months of the date of the final Office action and no advisory action has yet been filed. Nevertheless, if any fee is required in association with this submission the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11362.0031.00US00.